

Nationals Twice Beaten by St. Louis Engel May Be Sent to Minor League



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McLOUGHLIN TO MEET W. JOHNSTON IN FINALS

Former National Champion Has Hard Time Winning His Way Through Frisco Tourney.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 16.—Maurice E. McLoughlin will meet William Johnston in the final of the exposition singles tournament as a result of the play staged yesterday afternoon on the courts of the California Tennis Club. McLoughlin worked his way into the final after a grueling struggle with Johnny Strachan, winning in five sets, while Johnston advanced by a rather hollow defeat of Clarence J. Griffin in four sets. In addition to the singles final, Strachan and Mathey, the eastern pair, qualified for the doubles final by a rather easy triumph over Ambrose and Bass of this city. The scores were 6-0, 6-4, 6-2. The easterners will meet Strachan and Johnston in the final, the latter team winning today from Mel and Al Rosenberg in straight sets.

The McLoughlin-Strachan match furnished the feature of the day. The Australian pair had his hands full of the American champion, but after a thrilling battle by the score of 3-6, 6-2, 6-2, 6-4, 6-2. Both players re-

sorted to back-court driving and staged many sensational rallies. McLoughlin found a weakness in the armor of his opponent, however, in the deciding set, playing entirely to Strachan's back hand. As a result the loser was thrown out of position and his returns were weak.

Easy Sailing for Johnston. Johnston found rather easy sailing in his match with Griffin, although he dropped one set, the score being 6-2, 6-4, 2-6, 6-2. Johnston uncovered a whirlwind service, and was master of the situation at all times. Griffin was unable to force his opponent into an exchange of backcourt shots, as was the case in his match with Williams yesterday.

After losing the first set to Mrs. H. A. Niemeyer, the coast champion, 2-6, Miss Anita Meyers of this city captured the next two sets and the match, 6-4, 6-3. Miss Meyers will play Marguerite Wallace, a seventeen-year-old schoolgirl, in the final Saturday.

A change of schedule sets the final in the singles and doubles for tomorrow afternoon, while team play between the east and west will reach a conclusion Sunday afternoon. McLoughlin and Bundy will meet Church and Mathey, while Strachan and Johnston will try conclusions with Ambrose and Bass.

LITTLE CHANCE FOR NATIONALS TO FINISH AMONG FIRST FOUR

Team Seems to Be a "Hopeless Lot" and Will Not Cut Any Further Figure in the Race. Engel May Be Sent to Minors.

BY J. ED GRILLO.

ST. LOUIS, July 16.—The Nationals seem to be a hopeless lot. There does not seem to be a chance for the team to finish in the first division, and it would not be at all surprising if it wound up at the bottom of the race. It is going from bad to worse, and its situation yesterday, when after losing the first game legitimately it fooled away the second one, which apparently was safely stored away, so discouraged its supporters that it is now conceded that there is not the slightest chance for the Griffins to cut any further figure in the race. The team may win an occasional game, but as for being a factor in the present pennant struggle—that can be forgotten and the future looked to. The loss of the second game was nothing short of a crime. Jim Shaw had pitched one of the best games of his career, and he deserved to win, but he lost it because of the miserable work behind him, though he held his opponents to four scattered hits.

Double plays by the Browns worked havoc with the Griffins. In the first game of these dual killings on the bases undoubtedly prevented a batch of runs, and that was true of the second, for three more such plays marked this contest and prevented the Nationals from having a more comfortable lead than the one which the Browns overcame in that disastrous eighth inning. Seven double plays in the two games shows that the breaks were against the Griffins, though their miserable work in the second game caused defeat.

This boy Sleser, whom the Browns obtained from Michigan University, is a decidedly versatile player. He pitched the first game, did not give a base on balls and conducted himself like a veteran on the rubber. He fielded his position as if he had many years' experience, and, incidentally, he made his presence felt at the bat. Sleser is left-handed, and this is the second game he

has won for the Browns. When he is not pitching he makes himself useful either in the in or outfield, so that Sleser really has picked up a most valuable player.

Umpire Chilli again proved his incompetency when he allowed Howard to score in the eighth inning on what was supposed to be a steal of home, but which really was interference by Walsh, who was at bat. Walsh deliberately threw himself down before John Henry as Howard slid into the plate, so that it was impossible for Henry to touch Howard as he came in with what proved to be the winning run. As all poor umpires do, Chilli put McBride out of the game for protesting, so that he would look better to the spectators in the stand. In this, however, his scheme failed, for he was roundly hissed and jeered for his action by the few hundred fans. Chilli is excitable and loses his head whenever the pinch is tight, and it is high time that President Haney should see to it that Chilli causes a vacancy on the umpire staff.

There was no announcement made of the double-header until late yesterday morning. There is but one game today, and that is to be pitched by Johnson, who will return from his farm at Coffeyville early this morning.

Joe Engel pitched well enough in the first game for four innings, but blew in the fifth. Manager Griffith has about decided that Engel will not be of help to him, and it is not unlikely that he will be shipped to some minor league club for the remainder of the season before the team returns to its own grounds. Engel ought to be placed with some team which can give him a lot of work.

It is not unlikely that Harry Harper will be brought back to the Nationals ere long. Jack Bentley is said to be suffering from a lame right arm, and Harper is said to be ready to work regularly. Monday he was beaten by Columbus, but he gave a base on balls and a performance which gives him promise, and when Griffith gets ready to shift Hopper back to Minneapolis Harper may come back to the Nationals.

Feds Have Big Fund

to Carry on the War
BROOKLYN, July 16.—Vice President Robert B. Ward of the Federal League last night announced the report made yesterday in Kansas City by Harry Sinclair, owner of the Newark club, that a war fund of \$1,000,000 had been collected at the recent meeting of the league held in New York city. Ward stated that Sinclair had been selected to carry out the Federal League campaign because of his aggressiveness and ability to deal with base ball problems. Ward stated the money was already in Sinclair's possession and that it would be used in forwarding the interest of the league as a whole. Ward refused to outline the manner in which the money would be expended, but intimated that the Federal League was about to adopt a more vigorous policy in the base ball world. The impression seemed to prevail that the league had lost all aggressiveness while awaiting several important court decisions, said Ward, but these cases were to be decided soon and then the Federal League would enter upon a broader plane of action.

GOVERNMENT TRYING TO BREAK UP POOLS

Crusade Is Started Against Selling of Base Ball Lotteries.

WILKES BARRE, Pa., July 16.—What government agents assert is to be a nation-wide crusade against base ball pools was begun yesterday by the arrest of John J. Kilcoyne and Thomas E. Warman, promoters of the Weekly World and Pastime Review, sporting publications through which an alleged pool is said to have been conducted. Both men, who are charged with conspiracy in the shipment of base ball pool tickets from one state to another by express, waived a hearing and were held in \$5,000 bail each for the September grand jury.

James T. Cortelyou, chief postal inspector of the Philadelphia district, whose assistants made the arrests yesterday, declared that the federal agents were determined to stop the operation of base ball pools in all parts of the country. Promoters of the pools, he said, were violating the penal code of the United States, the penalty for which is two years' imprisonment and a fine of \$1,000.

Publications Have Suspended.

Announcement was made by the officials of the Weekly World and Pastime Review a few days ago that the publications had suspended, but this, Mr. Cortelyou said, would in no way affect the prosecution of the promoters. Other arrests, he added, would be made soon. The two publications are alleged to have had agents in all the principal cities of the country, and their subscribers are said to have numbered about 44,000 persons. Tickets for weekly drawings were distributed, and it was said the prizes aggregated several thousand dollars each week. Several arrests in connection with the pool have been made in other cities.

WILL ENTER ARMY.

Penn Rowing Coach Gives Up His Work With Quakers.

PHILADELPHIA, July 16.—Vivian Nickalls, coach of the University of Pennsylvania crews, yesterday announced that he had resigned in order to join the British army. Nickalls, who sailed August 15, said he will accept a commission in either the 3d or 4th Hussars.

STANDING, SCHEDULES AND RESULTS IN BIG BASE BALL LEAGUES

| AMERICAN LEAGUE. | | | |
|------------------|----|----|------|
| | W. | L. | Pct. |
| Chicago | 51 | 29 | .638 |
| Boston | 48 | 32 | .600 |
| Detroit | 48 | 31 | .608 |
| New York | 40 | 39 | .506 |
| Nationals | 36 | 41 | .466 |
| St. Louis | 31 | 48 | .392 |
| Athletics | 29 | 48 | .375 |
| Cleveland | 28 | 49 | .364 |

| NATIONAL LEAGUE. | | | |
|------------------|----|----|------|
| | W. | L. | Pct. |
| Phila. | 41 | 33 | .556 |
| Chicago | 42 | 35 | .545 |
| Brooklyn | 40 | 36 | .526 |
| St. Louis | 41 | 40 | .512 |
| Pittsburgh | 38 | 38 | .500 |
| New York | 34 | 42 | .447 |
| Cincinnati | 32 | 45 | .413 |
| Boston | 24 | 42 | .364 |

| YESTERDAY'S RESULTS. | | | |
|--------------------------------|----|----|------|
| | W. | L. | Pct. |
| St. Louis, 5; Washington, 2. | | | |
| St. Louis, 4; Philadelphia, 2. | | | |
| Boston, 4; Cleveland, 3. | | | |
| New York, 2; Detroit, 1. | | | |

| NATIONAL LEAGUE. | | | |
|---------------------------------|----|----|------|
| | W. | L. | Pct. |
| Philadelphia, 4; Cincinnati, 2. | | | |
| Chicago, 5; New York, 2. | | | |
| Richmond, 3; Pittsburgh, 2. | | | |

| SCHEDULES. | | | |
|--------------------------|--------|--------------------------|--|
| | TODAY. | TOMORROW. | |
| Washington at St. Louis. | | Washington at Cleveland. | |
| Phila. at Chicago. | | Boston at St. Louis. | |
| Boston at Cleveland. | | New York at St. Louis. | |
| New York at Detroit. | | Phila. at Detroit. | |

| MINOR LEAGUE GAMES. | | | |
|--|----|----|------|
| | W. | L. | Pct. |
| Rocky Mount, 3; Suffolk, 1. | | | |
| Petersburg, 4; Norfolk, 4 (extra innings). | | | |
| Newport News, 6; Portsmouth, 4. | | | |

| INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE. | | | |
|---|----|----|------|
| | W. | L. | Pct. |
| St. Louis, 2; Jersey City, 2 (extra innings). | | | |
| Providence, 6; Toledo, 3. | | | |
| Richmond, 3; Buffalo, 1. | | | |
| Rochester-Hartford-Bain. | | | |

| SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE. | | | |
|-------------------------------|----|----|------|
| | W. | L. | Pct. |
| Macon, 12; Albany, 4. | | | |
| Columbia, 7; Savannah, 4. | | | |
| Columbus, 8; Jacksonville, 4. | | | |

| AMERICAN ASSOCIATION. | | | |
|----------------------------|----|----|------|
| | W. | L. | Pct. |
| Columbus, 2; Milwaukee, 0. | | | |
| Only one game scheduled. | | | |

| TEXAS LEAGUE. | | | |
|--------------------------------|----|----|------|
| | W. | L. | Pct. |
| Waco, 4; Dallas, 1. | | | |
| San Antonio, 2; Houston, 1. | | | |
| Galveston, 3; Fort Worth, 1. | | | |
| Shreveport, 12; Fort Worth, 4. | | | |

| SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION. | | | |
|---------------------------------|----|----|------|
| | W. | L. | Pct. |
| New Orleans, 6; Chattanooga, 3. | | | |
| Memphis, 2; Mobile, 1. | | | |
| Birmingham, 3; Atlanta, 2. | | | |
| Little Rock, 0. | | | |

| VANITE AGAIN BEATEN. | | | |
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| | W. | L. | Pct. |
| Runs Into Calm and Resolute Makes Up Time Easily. | | | |

NEW YORK, July 16.—In actual sailing, that is from the time each yacht crossed the starting line to the time each finished, the Vanitie led the fleet in the 13th annual Vanitie regatta. Vanitie 13 seconds yesterday in what was intended to be a leeward and windward course of fifteen miles off Sandy Hook. The start was made from the Ambrose light vessel in a light westerly wind, and each yacht was handicapped at the start by the breeze. Vanitie 13 seconds and the Vanitie 15 seconds, but the Vanitie was in the better position and at once took the lead.

Instead of running dead before the wind they tried to tack to windward, and when half the course had been covered the Vanitie led by at least two minutes. Then she ran into a soft spot and was becalmed. Resolute, prodding by this, avoided the calm and reached the turning mark 5 minutes 23 seconds in the lead. The wind had shifted to south by west and it was a reach home. The Vanitie steadily overhauled the Resolute, and when half way home the wind freshened and the yachts finished in a nice sailing breeze, with the Resolute leading by 19 seconds. In corrected time the Resolute won by 1 minute 40 seconds.

TWO GAMES LOST TO ST. LOUIS CLUB

Nationals Drop Double-Header by Scores of 2 to 5 and 3 to 4.

TWO ERRORS BY FOSTER COST THE SECOND HALF

Muffed Fly Allows Two of Browns to Cross Plate When Two Are Out.

BY J. ED GRILLO.

ST. LOUIS, July 16.—The Nationals lost both ends of yesterday's double-header. They were beaten 5 to 2 in the first game, the score being 5 to 2, but in the second they apparently had the contest clinched until the eighth, when one hit and a walk came after two were out, followed by two errors by Foster, netted three runs and the game. Shaw had pitched a beautiful game of ball. He had been scored on but once, as the result of an error, and had allowed but four hits, yet he was beaten.

The first two men to face Shaw in the eighth were easy outs. Then Shotten beat out a high bouncer to McBride. Shaw walked Austin and Howard hit a little grounder to Foster, which the latter fumbled long enough to fill the bases. Then Pratt sent a high fly to short right; Foster tried for it, got badly tangled up and finally muffed it. Shotten and Austin running home. Howard followed this by stealing home. In the ninth there seemed to be a chance for the Nationals to tie the score. Austin hit a double, and Neff popped up to Pratt and Henry sent up a foul to Agnew. Connolly was safe when Austin fumbled his grounder, and Williams, who was pinch hitting for Shaw, was walked, filling the bases. Mueller hit three balls on him before James could get a strike over, then Danny struck out, ending the game.

Sleser Pitches Good Game. Sleser, the Michigan varsity player, pitched effectively against the Nationals in the first game. He also fielded his position well. Engel was in good form for four innings, but was hit hard in the fifth, after which he retired. Hopper, who succeeded him, also was hit hard. Ayers worked in the final inning. The Nationals scored in the eighth only when the pinch-hitter, four hits. The Browns got three runs in the fifth on singles by Shotten, Austin, Leary and Pratt's double. They got one in the seventh on Austin's triple and Pratt's second double, and a final run in the eighth came from Leary's double and Sleser's hit. The score of the first game:

| | W. | L. | Pct. |
|------------|----|----|-------|
| Washington | 0 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Foster | 0 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Shotten | 0 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Austin | 0 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Pratt | 0 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Leary | 0 | 0 | 0.000 |
| McBride | 0 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Howard | 0 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Hopper | 0 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Ayers | 0 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Williams | 0 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Totals | 3 | 2 | 0.600 |

| | W. | L. | Pct. |
|-----------|----|----|-------|
| St. Louis | 5 | 2 | 0.714 |
| Shaw | 5 | 2 | 0.714 |
| Austin | 0 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Pratt | 0 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Leary | 0 | 0 | 0.000 |
| McBride | 0 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Howard | 0 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Hopper | 0 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Ayers | 0 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Williams | 0 | 0 | 0.000 |
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ace hits—Weaver, Fournier, J. Collins. Double
 plays—Lapp to Schang; Bressler to Lajoie to Mc-
 Innis. Left on bases—Philadelphia, 9; Chicago,
 5. Base on error—Philadelphia. Bases on balls
 —Off Cleeote, 2; off Bressler, 6; off Wolfrang,
 1. Hits—Off Cleeote, 7 in 7 innings; off Wol-
 frang, 4 in 3 innings. Hit by pitcher—By Ci-
 cotte (Shang). Balk—Cicotte. Struck out—By
 Bressler, 2; by Cicotte, 2. Umpires—Messrs.